

## Saghalin Island, Not California, Japanese Goal

Alien Land Law Issue Used as Screen to Mask Real Purpose, Which Is to Induce U. S. to Drop Protest

### Strategy Typical of Tokio

Similar Methods Used at Paris to Obtain What They Wanted in Shantung

By Carter Field

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—Japan has not the slightest hope of overriding the wishes of the California people, as expressed in the laws forbidding the leasing of land to Japanese just approved by referendum, it was declared on high authority here today.

The Japanese government has known for some time that the election in California would result in the approval of these laws, and it has not been able to devise any successful way of combating or overthrowing them.

The pressure from Tokyo on the American State Department has been intended solely to accomplish a very different thing, it is declared, and a thing which is very much more vital not only to Japan's expansion, but vitally to her very existence.

Withdrawal of the American objections to occupation by the Japanese of the remaining half of Saghalin Island is what Japan wants. Withdrawal of American protests against the setting up of "buffer states" in the southern part of Siberia, one facing into Mongolia and the other into Manchuria, also is desired.

It is the same old Japanese game which has been so universally successful in all her negotiations," said a high official in discussing this today. "At Paris the Japanese blustered about the recognition by the League of Nations of racial equality. The Japanese peace commissioners talked there as Japanese diplomats talk now about the California land situation. They said the point which worried them was that it was a sentimental issue with their people, which they could not well control. They talked about the hurt to their pride of the discrimination which would be effected if their demands were not granted.

"They were turned down cold on their racial equality plea at Paris, of course. But when they came again on Shantung their previous rejection made it very much harder to say no, and they walked off with what they really wanted.

"That is what they expect this time. They will be distressed to death, on the surface, when they are finally assured that nothing can be done for them about the California situation. They have the State Department in a real quandary, for the position of the Federal Government here is that it knows the California law is discriminatory, but it also knows that it has not the power to prevent the discrimination.

"Then the Japanese, having the State

Department in this embarrassing position, will consent to be pleased by the yielding of the State Department on another 'little matter'—the matter of Saghalin Island. I now predict that when that stage is reached, no matter whether under the Administration or after March 4, the State Department will yield on Saghalin Island and be glad to get the incident closed."

## Martial Law Threatened To End Berlin Strike

Government Prepared to Take Sharp Measures Against Red Agitation

By William C. Dreher

Copyright, 1920, New York Tribune Inc. BERLIN, Nov. 10.—The Tribune correspondent learns that the Prussian government intends taking a decisive measure to terminate the strike of the Berlin electrical workers unless the workers agree by to-morrow to return to their jobs.

The strike, which has been in progress for four days, is said to have been started by Communist agitators, contrary to the decision of the labor organizations, and is being encouraged by the Communist organ, Die Rote Fahne (The Red Flame), with frequent assertions of the fealty of German workers to the Moscow International.

The government looks with growing concern upon the agitation inspired by Moscow, and thinks that the time has arrived to act. It was said this evening by a member of the government that it would declare martial law and arrest the strike leaders to-morrow unless today's negotiations resulted in adjusting the strike.

## Von Lersner Opens Fight For Revision of Treaty

Outlines Propaganda Campaign to Reichstag and Urges All to Join With Him

LONDON, Nov. 10.—A dispatch to The London Times says Baron Kurt von Lersner, former president of the German peace delegation, outlined to the main committee of the Reichstag yesterday his campaign of propaganda for the revision of the Versailles peace treaty.

Baron von Lersner declared that speakers of all parties must combine in demanding a revision of the treaty, basing their hope in "the same elements in every country, especially America, Italy and Great Britain." He said he hoped repeated demands by all factions would result in creating an atmosphere for the peaceful recasting of the Versailles treaty.

The Baron outlined various means to be adopted for securing the desired result, among them arguments that the surrender of such millions of German soldiers would mean the condemnation to death by thousands of German children.

Ukrainian Jews Held From U. S.

VIENNA, Nov. 10.—Jewish Telegraphic Agency.—A large number of Ukrainian Jews desiring of emigrating to the United States, are being detained in Bessarabia because of their inability to obtain the visa of the American Consul, says a dispatch from Kishinev today. The Jugo-Slav and Italian consuls also are refusing to aid the would-be immigrants, the dispatch adds.

## Pilgrims Accused of Giving Only Bolshevism to Nation

Father MacMahon, Taking Issue With Historian, Declares Plymouth Colonists Had No Influence Save to Contribute to Weakness of Free Thinking

The Pilgrim Fathers were ignorant and incompetent. They established a régime more cruel than the Spanish Inquisition, in which their Governor had more autocratic power than the King of England. They failed utterly in the religious life they sought to maintain. They had no influence upon the history of the country, save to contribute to the national weakness of free thinking. Their theory of the separation of Church and State led to the menace of Bolshevism to-day.

These are a few of the charges made against the first settlers of New England by the Rev. Father Joseph H. MacMahon in a lecture at Delmonico's yesterday afternoon. Father MacMahon took issue with Professor Usher, who has recently published a history of the Pilgrim Fathers, which, it was charged, dealt lightly with the failings of the founders and overemphasizes their importance in American history.

Father MacMahon told his audience that the only real contribution of the Plymouth colonists to American history was that they were the first to demonstrate that the New World was a fit place for Englishmen to live and that they stuck to their cold and barren coast, firm in the determination to make it a permanent colony.

Get No Credit for Hardships

Even their hardships did not redound to their glory, according to him. The reason so many of them died of starvation, he said, was because they were too stubborn to eat the lobsters and game with which the place abounded.

"That's the Englishman of it," he said. "They had been brought up on roast beef and mutton and wheat bread, and they declined to eat the fish and game and Indian corn at hand. You

hall, while the Liberals, with large majorities, won the municipalities of Rome, Naples, Genoa, Florence and Venice.

It is expected that the government, thus apparently still supported by public opinion, will now be encouraged to follow a more definite political and financial program.

Reds to Arrest Americans

Moscow Orders Seizure of Organization Aiding Jews

LONDON, Nov. 10.—Jewish Telegraphic Agency.—An extraordinary commission in Moscow has ordered the arrest of the representatives of an American organization giving aid to Jews, says a dispatch to The Daily Telegraph today.

There was much excitement during the polling, with the usual desultory shootings by discomfited electors.

The main results show that the Socialists, by virtue of very small majorities, will administer Turin and Milan, where red flags are now hanging from the balconies of the town

## Liberal Leader Of Parliament Seized in Erin

Colonel Malone Arrested Inside Trinity College, Where He Had Gone to Debate on Bolshevism

His Apartment Is Raided

Comments Advances Home Rule Bill to Third Reading; Crime on Increase

DUBLIN, Nov. 10.—Lieutenant-Colonel L'Estrange Malone, Liberal member of the House of Commons, was arrested to-night by a staff officer inside Trinity College, where Colonel Malone had gone by invitation to speak in a debate on Bolshevism at the College Historical Society.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—The apartment in London of Lieutenant Colonel Malone was raided by the police yesterday. A search of two hours was made by the policemen, who carried away large bundles of documents, alleged to be of a revolutionary character.

Made Red Speeches

Colonel Malone already had started for Dublin, and his arrest there to-night is supposed to be connected with a revolutionary speech delivered by him in Albert Hall, in London, Sunday, on the occasion of the anniversary of the Russian revolution.

It is known that the speeches delivered then by Colonel Malone and others have been under consideration by crown law officers.

The House of Commons to-night concluded the report stage of the Home Rule for Ireland bill, and the third reading of the measure will take place to-morrow. Several amendments to the bill were agreed upon today.

These provide that control of the police shall be transferred to the Irish Parliament three years after the act comes into operation, and that an absolute majority of the members of each Parliament will be requisite to carry a bill for the fusion of the two Parliaments.

Another amendment accepted makes it the duty of the Central Council of Ireland to frame a plan for the constitution of the second chambers.

Crime Gains in Erin

Crime in Ireland increased immediately after the funeral of Lord Mayor MacSwiney, according to the latest statistics, which record ninety-nine serious crimes in the week ended November 6, as compared with sixty-nine the previous week and eighty for the week ended October 23.

Nine police barracks were damaged or destroyed, twenty-four raids were carried out on the mails and four Sinn Féin raids for arms. Ten policemen were killed, twenty-four wounded and eleven others shot at. Three soldiers

were killed, one was wounded and twelve were shot at. Forty-five arrests were made for outrages or political offenses.

Since the 1st of January 1916 police have been killed and 218 wounded. Thirty-two soldiers have been killed and ninety wounded.

CARRICK-ON-SHANNON, County Leitrim, Ireland, Nov. 10.—A party of men who are said to have been wearing khaki uniforms raided the offices of the Leitrim Observer last night. They entered the premises by force, held up the proprietor and his sister with revolvers, wrecked the machinery and printing plant, smashed furniture and then set fire to the building. The flames, however, were extinguished.

## Colby Asserts President Is Steadily Improving

Comments on Ambassador Davis's Reported Statement That Mr. Wilson Is Very Sick Man

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—Commenting on the London dispatch attributing to American Ambassador John W. Davis the statement that "President Wilson is much sicker than any person has believed," Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby to-day said that the President has been steadily improving.

"I hardly credit the report that Ambassador Davis has made any such statement of the President's condition," Mr. Colby said. "The President's condition is the source of satisfaction to his friends and his gain in health has been for several months steady and uninterrupted."

Mr. Colby said he was not aware that Ambassador Davis actually saw the President while he was in Washington recently, although he was under the impression that Mr. Davis visited the White House.

Alex. L. Courtney Dies

Old Employee of New York Herald Falls Dead on Street

Alexander L. Courtney, for fifty years an employee of The New York Herald and father of Joseph J. Courtney, president of the Police Sargeants' Association, fell dead last night as he entered the Herald Building, at Thirty-fifth Street and Broadway, while on his way to work. He was seventy years old. Death was due to heart disease.

Mr. Courtney was connected with the advertising department of The Herald. He entered the employ of James Gordon Bennett when twenty years old, and when Frank A. Munsey acquired The Herald continued in his old capacity.

Several nights ago Mr. Courtney, who was well known by night reporters covering the district surrounding the Herald Building, told them he was troubled with acute indigestion and felt the end was near.

Bowman Gives Hospital \$30,000

John McE. Bowman, president of the Bowman chain of hotels, contributed \$30,000 to the drive of the Fifth Avenue Hospital Fund yesterday. This brought the total contributions to date up to \$1,800,000. In all \$2,000,000 is sought.

## School Principal Denies Beating 13-Year-old Boy

Brooklyn Instructor, Arrested on Pupil's Charge, Paroled Until Trial Saturday

Ambrose Cort, forty-five years old, principal of Public School 73, Rockaway Avenue and McDougal Street, Brooklyn, pleaded not guilty in the Gates Avenue court yesterday to a charge of disorderly conduct in connection with the alleged beating of Frank Whitmack, thirteen years old, a pupil.

Whitmack, who lives at 105 Hull Street, charged in his complaint that Cort struck him on the jaw with his fist, knocking him down. Cort also was charged with putting his knee on Whitmack's stomach while he banged the pupil's head against the floor several times.

The principal refused to discuss the case. He was paroled until Saturday, when he will be tried.

## Commission Declares Merger of All Siberia

Future of New State Doubtful as Vladivostok Government Withholds Support

TOKIO, Nov. 10 (By The Associated Press).—The provisional commission, which has been conferring at Siberia, with the view of establishing a Siberian state, has issued a statement declaring the formation of an independent Far Eastern Siberian Republic controlling the whole territory from the Baikal region eastward.

Whether the new government will command adequate support is problematical because the "white" military leaders are holding aloof and the Vladivostok government is unwilling to submit to the merger.

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